
ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION MINUTES

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Wendy VanHorn, Recreation Coordinator
Courtney Deppen, Recording Secretary

REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2021 – 5:30 PM WebEx EVENT

Chair Lakin called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

Attachment: [Power Point – July 13 Meeting](#)

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Chair Lakin and Commissioners Collart, May, Monguio, and Mullin
ABSENT: Vice Chair Willison and Commissioner Pecht
Staff Present: Emily Fox, Kathryn Dippong Lawson, and Wendy VanHorn

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

This is the time set-aside during the Arts & Culture Commission meeting for members of the public to address the Commission concerning any item that is not on this agenda. Persons wishing to address the Commission should fill out a “Speaker Form” prior to the Commission reaching this point on the agenda.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Arts & Cultural Commission approve the meeting minutes of the [February 2, 2021](#), [March 9, 2021](#), [April 13, 2021](#), [May 11, 2021](#), and [June 8, 2021](#) regular meetings.

Commissioner May made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as presented.
Chair Lakin seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Chair Lakin and Commissioners May, Monguio, and Mullin
NOES: None

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ABSTAIN: Commissioner Collart
ABSENT: Vice Chair Willison and Commissioner Pecht

Chair Lakin declared the motion carried.

FORMAL ITEMS

2. [Review & Recommendation - Public Art Utility Box at Telephone Road and Ramelli Avenue](#)

RECOMMENDATION: This is an action item. It is recommended that the Arts & Culture Commission review and recommend the public art design rendering for the utility box proposed at Telephone Road and Ramelli Avenue.

During public comment, community member Trevor Gotsman provided his support of the utility box project.

Commissioner May made a motion to accept the utility box design as presented with the addition of "Ida + Cooper, 8-6-21, Please Cross Safely" added to either the utility box or plaque based on staff direction after reviewing the most appropriate options for displaying the content.

Commissioner Collart seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Chair Lakin and Commissioners Collart, May, Monguio, and Mullin
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Vice Chair Willison and Commissioner Pecht

Chair Lakin declared the motion carried.

3. [Arts & Culture Commission Project Discussion & Subcommittee Development](#)

RECOMMENDATION: This is an action item. It is recommended that the Arts & Culture Commission discuss, identify, and develop subcommittees connected with the approved Division initiatives and projects they would like to focus on during the current fiscal year.

Commissioner Collart made a motion to focus on projects 2, 3, and 4 and to table the approval of subcommittee members to the August regular meeting.

Chair Lakin seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Chair Lakin and Commissioners Collart, May, Monguio, and Mullin
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

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ABSENT: Vice Chair Willison and Commissioner Pecht

Chair Lakin declared the motion carried.

DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATIONS

Kathryn Dippong Lawson shared an update on the 2nd Sunday of the month, Art at the Adobe, summer activities held at the Olivas Adobe in June and July. She also invited the Commission to attend the August 8, Art at the Adobe activity from 11am-3pm to learn how the Chumash & Olivas families worked together at the Adobe!

Additionally, Kathryn provided an update on the recently completed utility box projects by artist Kaylie Pendelton.

Emily Fox provided a brief update on the Wall Street mural project and the opportunity for community members to express input about the project during an upcoming Administrative Hearing.

Emily also shared that the General Plan consultant team would be presenting the Arts & Culture Existing Conditions Report and gathering Commission feedback at the August regular meeting.

COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Collart commented on the Federal and State funding being provided to arts organizations. He also shared an upcoming symposium hosted by the Museum of Ventura County and featuring Sonia Tower connected to American Rescue Plan grant funding being administered by the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA).

Chair Lakin provided an update on the return of in-person First Fridays and encouraged Commissioner to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 PM.